

# THE ORANGEBURG TIMES.

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LARGEST CIRCULATION IN THE COUNTY

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## A REQUEST.

## STOP THIEF!

## WILL THE NEWS AID US?

Rumors have been for the last four days rife on the street to the effect that certain parties (whose names we have heard) have perpetrated a forgery on the County Treasury, whereby one thousand dollars of a special fund have been illegitimately appropriated. It is further stated that five hundred dollars of the fund thus fraudulently drawn has been restored and that the parties have promised to refund the balance during the current week. Will Treasurer Greene furnish the public, either through our columns or those of our neighbor, the "News," with the facts of the case upon which these rumors are based? Or state whether they are true or not? Otherwise he must be regarded as compounding with felons if these rumors are true; charging not only felony (to certain parties mentioned) but also forgery.

## OUR NEIGHBOR.

The News is a rare, sui generis, avas inasmuch as it declares its intention as a Republican journal, to second our efforts to put a check upon the dishonest practices of the officials in the State.

The News cannot advocate honesty while its supporters are Radicals. It cannot take Radical funds to aid in stopping theft. This would be a breach of trust, and the effort will prove abortive.

It no doubt intends honestly, but it requires but a glance back to the preceding editorial in the same issue (of last Saturday) to see that it does not very heartily desire our success. Its exuberant anticipation of joy at our defeat smacks considerably of the Radical "Vic victis." The sentiment militates against the faith we would put in the profession. It reminds us strongly of these shearwater birds on the coast. They move in pairs—the male leading, and female immediately in rear. As the opportunity offers, he catches the small fish as it swims on the surface, and with his peculiarly constructed bill, bites it in two parts, one of which he eats; the other falls back upon the wave whence the female picks it up and eats it.

Now, think we, the News; first bite of the Radical bait is this premature hurrah, while the last part belongs to the Radical phalanx, that of affecting our subjection by hard blows at the ballot box.

It is true that we issue on Wednesdays the Times, and on Saturdays the Temperance Advocate. So that we may be said between "Times" to "Advocate" sheer water drinking; but we are decidedly opposed to sheer water politics.

Those readers of the News of last Saturday, who see with the same spectacles as its Republican editor, were no doubt pleasantly elated. Did it not occur to them, as it would to any true Southerner, that such ungenerous joy as it anticipates at our unresisting submission, would be more noble, more manly, if tempered with a little charitable sympathy for a down-trodden country, just a little less mirth, a trifle less hurrah, mobocratic, if it is republican? Or is it that the News and its friends are still afraid of us; cower under the shadow of the Federal Capital, supported by unthinking, ignorant and misled colored voters, and actively aided by Federal bayonets and indefinite suspension of Habeas Corpus? Is it so wedded to

Republicanism as to not see that it is by Republicanism that the corrupt government at Washington and Columbia, is sustained?

We may be willing to concede that Republican principle abstractly considered, is as good as Democratic principle; but it has about as much to do with the present government as monarchical principle, and we do not propose to waste time and paper in mere abstract argument.

The News says that it does not believe that theft and corruption are the result of now-a-days republicanism. Let him strike out, as he promises, on this his peculiar platform; and he will find a solid republican phalanx against him, and simply because he advocates honesty and truth.

We would suggest too, as an assistant balance, to bear in mind that charity begins at home, and that until Washington ceases to persecute, he will hardly experience his anticipated democratic huzza.

The Forkers, no doubt, regretted that "the News" did not hold Court in that locality. Does the Governor now appoint Republican Stock Companies to judicial positions? Is one individual not enough Republicanism at a time in a position?

## THE LEGISLATURE.

Our State Legislature adjourned last Wednesday. The motley brood has been sitting one third of a year nearly. Can the State at large doubt, that if these people had any legitimate business at home in their respective communities and upon which they depended for the support of their families, they would not delay thus long on legislative matters? Can the State at large doubt that, if these people desired the respect of the honest men of the communities which they inhabit, they would have perpetrated against us such deeds of infamous tyranny as the Invalidating bill, the Blue Ridge swindle, the License bill &c., &c? They are unworthy the position they have held, and we appeal to all people (voters) black or white, Republican or Democrat, native or adopted, invited and intruders, carpet baggers and soap peddlars to pause in their individual pursuit, for a day or two, any where around, and procure under the aegis of the American Eagle that only weapon of defense that she allows us against Republicanism, your license to vote, and help us to stop this wholesale robbery which is being carried on at our State Capitol. They have done little or nothing save rob.

## FISHY.

One day in the latter part of last week, a colored man, by name Charles Staley, showed a paper reading thus:

"Received of Charles Staley \$3.75 to pay his taxes."  
(Signed) Geo. W. Sturgeon."

Staley says that he came up at the appointed time with his money to pay his taxes; that the crowd was so dense, he could not get to the counter, and asked Sturgeon if he could not be allowed to pay his taxes and go. Sturgeon took his money from him, saying he would pay his tax for him, and gave him what he took as a tax receipt. In due time when the County Treasurer makes up his books, Staley's tax has not been paid and execution is issued against his hard earned comforts. In indignant innocence he presents at the Treasurer's office, Sturgeon's certificate of robbery—and has to borrow money to repay his taxes. One instalment having been appropriated by one robber, he has to replace the amount contributed for the support of the robbers at large.

## COMMUNICATED.

Mr. Editor: I feel it my duty, as a practical carriage painter, to say something to the public in regard to the painter's trade; feeling myself competent to express an opinion, inasmuch as I have served a regular apprenticeship, and been engaged in the trade for twenty odd years, always affording satisfaction in my work.

You may hear men, who are not pleased with the style of work done here now, say they must send their carriages and buggies to New York. The fact is, you

can get your carriage painted in New York or any other style if only you go to the right shop, and demand that it be done in such style and no other.

The painter's trade, Mr. Editor, is brought to this state of disrepute since the war, by some men who have suddenly sprung up into self-called carriage painters. They walk in one end of the paint and out the other, and go to work as coach-painters. They know nothing about the trade—they cannot finish work neatly—they are no judges of material—they do not know one varnish from another, fish oil from linseed.

I heard of one of these professors the other day painting with milk and soot. How is that for high? What more can you expect? They have served no apprenticeship, and consequently know no more about coachpainting than a Feejee Indian does about Hail Columbia.

Now, as to whether painter's can have their carriages or buggies done up in New York style, I will warrant that they can, with satisfaction to themselves, whether it be ornamental or scrawl work, fine or broad stripe, and bordering in any of its various ways with a high polish that shall be also lasting.

I work for H. Riggs, Esq., and am at present the only practical carriage painter in this section of the country. For the present, I am done, but I intend, at some future day, to expose the whole shambang of these men and boys, who bring disrepute upon my trade by going before the public before learning it, and botching up work with paint, that if not drawn off by the sun or split off by the cold wind, will fall off of its own accord.

Yours,

J. A. WILLIAMS.

## LOCAL.

F. P. BEARD, Associate Editor.

Jon Work—neatly executed at this office.

We have been requested to call the attention of the post-master, at Blackville, to the fact that the mail sent to that Post Office for two or three clubs is delayed several days at the office.

## THAT LEASE.

At a meeting of the Board of County Commissioners, held on last Monday, a resolution was passed expressive of a desire, on the part of the Board, to rescind the lease; and a copy of the resolution served on Mr. Ezekiel. We understand, however, that he is still making arrangements for building.

## THE NEW HALL.

The Building Committee of the Elliott Hook and Ladder Company are pushing forward arrangements for the erection of the new hall, in a manner which deserves credit. We understand that several hundred dollars have been subscribed for this purpose. We consider this to be a matter of some importance to the community, and feel assured that our citizens will respond to the call with the liberality which has ever characterized them. A subscription list can be found at the Post Office. Call up, gentlemen, and contribute something. Subscriptions from 25 cents to \$200 (or more) will be thankfully received and properly appreciated.

## O, DON'T.

On Friday last, as we were strolling along, "homeward bound," a little dark-eyed man came running up to us almost breathless, and in great excitement informed us that a gentleman from Charleston (whose name has been frequently read in the newspapers of late) was coming to Orangeburg, to see us about an article which appeared in the Times, that did not suit his (or their) taste; and in the event we did not retract, he would take steps to make us do so. Oh! how it "skered" us! We didn't know what to do; but in order to be prepared for any emergency, we procured a big pop-gun and about a peck of berries to use in the "bloody combat." But alas! the Charleston gentleman did

not come, as one of the "par nobilis fratrum" had announced. Our friends may rest assured that we are still alive, as the Charleston gentleman has not yet sent us to "where the wood-bine twineth."

## Arrivals at Meroney's Hotel.

J. L. Rast, M. Bull, Wm. Reeves, W. House, Rev House, Captain A. Frederick, Orangeburg; A. G. Marshall, S. E. Hendricks, Charleston; B. Merry, Jr., J. C. Aubry, Geo. D. Mosh, Augusta; De Witt, Baltimore; A. J. Rodgers, New York; John Kirkland, Jr., North Carolina; Rev. S. Mellichamp, Fort Motte; W. Moore, Alexander, Columbia; Niles Nesbit, Spartanburg; Upah, Toccoa; Agosh, Hong Kong, China.

## CONSIGNEES PER S. C. R. R.

F. H. W. Briggman, John F. North, D. Bull, E. Ezekiel, E. A. Nix, Felder, Vose & Izlar, Bull, Seville & Pike, W. T. Lightfoot, C. F. Gehrels, T. A. Jeffords, W. T. Muller, E. Gleaton, O. O. A. Yates, C. Thorn, J. F. Way, T. B. Malone, G. H. Cornelson, D. W. Crook, W. C. Davis, F. Livingston, J. W. Gessendanner, W. H. Reed, W. Brownfield, W. A. Meroney, E. J. Smoke, J. W. Blichinton, W. T. Knotts, R. B. Donnelly, D. Louis, R. H. Barton, B. E. H. Pearson, W. G. Mack, W. Johnson, Jas. Ealber, A. Holliman, A. D. Frederick, Holliman & Kowe, S. J. Brawley, W. C. Wolfe, P. Mentzel, J. D. King, A. C. Dukes, N. A. Whetstone, Champey & Co., J. W. Davis, D. Quattlebaum, E. Brown, W. Wilcox, J. F. Adden, Kate M. Maul, T. D. Wolfe, Mrs. Abberget, E. J. Oliveros, R. H. Barden, J. A. Minniken.

LIST OF LETTERS REMAINING IN ORANGEBURG POST OFFICE TO MARCH 20th, 1872.

A—Mr. H. Andrews. B—Edward M. Baynard. D—Louisa Dantzer, colored. E—Alfia Edgerton. F—Frank Felder. G—Miss M. J. Gray, Rose Ann Glover. H—M. J. G. Hutto. J—John Jourdon. M—Mrs. Elzey Moody, colored. Mrs. A. C. Murphy. N—J. P. Newkirk. P—Langdon Pooser. S—J. Peter Stewart. Persons calling for the above letters will please say they are advertised.

F. DEMARS, P. M.

THE TICKET.—The Republican of Charleston, S. C., (says the New York Sun) offers a ticket for the Presidential election which certainly ought to commend itself to the favorable consideration of the Philadelphia Convention. It proposes for President General Grant, and for Vice-President Governor Robert K. Scott, "of South Carolina." There is an obvious fitness in the association of these two names, representing as they do the leading exponents of the policy that has been adopted by the existing administration, which is calculated to powerfully impress the public mind. As Grant finds his most earnest supporters among men of Scott's class, it is but just that the carpet-bag element should receive due recognition on his ticket, especially as the great principles which have characterized carpet-bag government in the South have found acceptance, support and imitation in Grant's administration of national affairs. The adoption of this suggestion, too, would doubtless be the best practicable compromise of the conflicting claims of Colfax and Wilson for the honor of being defeated in company with Grant.

Worse and worse. A South Carolina journal nominates Grant and Scott. That editor has discovered how to get up a meaner ticket than "Grant and Harlan."—S. Louis Times.

The Republicans in Union are taking advantage of the suspension of Habeas Corpus to imprison Democratic voters, and induce them to leave the country. How long are musketted Ku-Klux, under color of law, to infringe upon the rights of citizens?

The 26th of April, the 53d anniversary of the introduction of Odd Fellowship into the United States, will be appropriately commemorated in Charleston.

## WANTINGS.

Use your own brains rather than those of others.

The new iron steamer, George O. Clyde has sailed on her trial trip for Charleston.

Beaufort has just had a steamboat dock, ornamented with a commodious warehouse.

Eli Perkins says that of 1,400 cases of insanity, six-eighths sprang from intemperance alone.

Mace and O'Baldwin have deposited five hundred dollars forfeit for a twenty-five hundred dollars fight in Virginia, July 16th.

The Bishop of Exeter was grossly insulted while presiding at a meeting for the consideration of a parliament bill in London.

The Portland Press makes the astounding announcement that the population of the city is increasing at the rate of three lawyers a week.

The Tichborne trial has ended, and the man who claimed to be a Tichborne has been decided not to be a Tichborne at all.

The Wagener Artillery, of Charleston will give a ball this evening at the Academy of Music in Charleston. This company did gallant and efficient service during the war, and we heartily wish them and their friends a happy time.

The trial of Marshal Bazaine for the capitulation of Metz is expected, and just now occupies public attention. As he can only be tried by his peers, there is some difficulty in assembling a court martial which is competent.

The continuation of the suspension of the writ of Habeas Corpus, suggested to Congress by the majority of the Ku Klux Committee, is looked upon as an assurance that the persecutions of the Southern people will be renewed.

The Town of Union was visited with a terribly destructive fire on Friday morning last, which swept away both hotels, and seven or eight other buildings, including the Times office. The loss is estimated at \$75,000, only a portion insured.

Portions of mutilated currency of size less than three-fifths the original bill are redeemable only at Washington, D. C. Such as are equal to or exceed three-fifths are redeemable at any United States depository.

WHAT IS WHISKY.—Ten gallons of kerosene, three pounds of potash, one ounce of strychnine, mixed with soft water. It was according to this cheerful, not to say convivial formula, that a quantity of "whisky" seized last week in Newton, Mass., was compounded, the recipe having also been found in the possession of the unfortunate dealer. If you want "gin," add quantum sufficient of oil of juniper! The mystery is that men who drink this diabolical fluid do not drop stone dead at once.

The County Treasurer of Orangeburg, Capt. FRANK H. GREENE, charges one GEORGE W. STURGEON with having stolen \$200,000, and appropriated the same to his use. This money belonged to the county, and was stolen by this monster "fish" while acting as deputy treasurer. No good can come to thieves and swindlers. This is the camp that used to figure around Barnwell as a Revenue Collector, and had about \$20,000 worth of advertising done here, for which he never paid. He now lodges with the jailor of Orangeburg County.—Barnwell Sentinel.

I have experimented in various ways with the pea crop this year. After laying by corn, during the lull of cotton plowing, I planted a few acres in peas, cultivated them twice; they bore heavily. I cut and cured them, and fed my horses and mules, thereby saving much corn. I planted an acre early, but this made few peas, and the vines were so matted, I could not pull them, besides it interfered with other crops.